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Richard Lauer
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Gary Peltier
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**ALMONT VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 21, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER

President Schneider called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Schneider led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Dyke, Lauer, Love, Peltier, Steffler, Tobias, Schneider

Councilmembers Absent: None

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| Staff Present: | Village Manager Clerk/Treasurer | Michael Deem Kimberly Keesler |
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| Guests Present: | Mr. Tim Bush Mr. Lehn King Mr. Dustin Gingell 16 Students | King & King CPA's, LLC Committee for Better Roads |
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COMMUNICATIONS

Included in the agenda packet was a letter from Stephanie Kammer from the DEQ regarding the Wastewater Treatment Plant's compliance sampling inspection. Discussion was held.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the agenda.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Public Hearing Minutes, October 7, 2014.
2. Regular Meeting Minutes, October 7, 2014 with corrections to Regular Agenda Item #1. Council wanted it noted of Council's displeasure with the significant difference between the actual bids received and ROWE's estimate of project costs. Council also wanted it noted that Council instructed ROWE to notify Village staff sooner of any market changes on future projects.
3. Warrant #14-10-B, Gen Ck #33266-33311, Equip Ck #1320, EFT #52-53, Park EFT #3
4. September Water Report
Village Manager Deem notified Council the reason there was such a decrease in water usage in August was due to DWSD servicing the meter. He stated we have not received a bill yet to see how they would calculate the Village's usage, but he would follow up with Council when the bill is received.
5. September DPW Activity Report
6. September WWTP Report



"We're growing in the right direction."

7. September Police Report
8. Payroll Report, Ck #15827-15836, DD #1022-1044, EFT #94-95
9. Financial Position Report
10. DDA Loan Amortization

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dustin Gingell for the Committee for Better Roads handed out a pamphlet supporting a "Yes" vote on the millage proposal for highway road and street purposes including bridges within Lapeer County. Discussion was held.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Audit Presentation

Lehn King of King and Kings CPAs LLC handed out an Overall Fund Rating worksheet to Council. Mr. King stated the books were in good order, the General Fund has a healthy fund balance, there was no transfer out of Major streets to Local Streets, Local Streets used a large part of its fund balance, which was budgeted, the DDA used \$41,000 of its Fund Balance, which was also budgeted, the Inspection, Sewer and Equipment funds were both stable and improving, and the Water funds working capital is moving toward solvency. Discussion was held.

Councilmember Lauer moved, Councilmember Tobias seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 audit as presented.

2. Emergency Ordinance No. 2014-1 – Emergency Curfew

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to adopt Emergency Ordinance No. 2014-1, Emergency Curfew as presented.

Discussion was held regarding whether Council wanted to entertain the idea of moving Trick or Treating from October 31st to November 1st due to the presumption the District football game would be played on the 31st. It was the consensus of Council to keep Trick or Treating on the 31st of October.

3. Credit Card Payments

Clerk/Treasurer Keesler made a presentation regarding using Point & Pay for credit card processing. Discussion was held.

It was the consensus of Council to table the issue until Ms. Keesler could check on the Village's liability regarding the privacy and security of the cardholder's information and complying with the security standards set by the agreement.

4. Schumacher's Resignation from Zoning Board of Appeals

Manager Deem presented Council with an email from Ms. Debra Schumacher indicating she wished to resign from the Zoning Board of Appeals. Discussion was held.

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to reluctantly accept Ms. Schumacher's letter of resignation from the Zoning Board of Appeals and thanked her for her years of service to the community.



It was the consensus of Council for Staff to advertise the vacancies in the ZBA and Planning Commission and have Mr. Deem contact Tom Wearing of the *Tri-City Times* to see if it can be included in the weekly article.

5. BS&A Invoice for Tax.NET Program

Clerk/Treasurer Keesler presented Council with the invoice from BS&A for the upgrade to the Tax software program. Discussion was held.

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve BS&A Invoice #098155 in the amount of \$3,150.00.

OPEN DISCUSSION

1. Medstar Ambulance Information Meeting

Mr. Deem informed Council he will be attending the Medstar Ambulance informational meeting on October 29, 2014.

COUNCIL/MANAGER COMMENT

Councilmember Peltier stated regional water authorities have been established for the Detroit Water System. President Schneider is presuming the Village's contract with DWSD remains safe.

Councilmember Love wished everyone a Happy Halloween.

Councilmember Steffler asked for an update on the spraying complaint. Discussion was held and it was the consensus of Council that any more complaints should go to the Michigan Department of Agriculture.

Councilmember Lauer wished everyone a Happy Halloween.

Manager Deem informed Council that Aristo-Cast has successfully installed their irrigation wells.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Kimberly J. Keesler
Clerk/Treasurer

Steve Schneider
President

Approved Date: November 5, 2014

